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IN THE MINITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: H. MURAD

Application No.: 09/501,217

Filed: February 10, 2000

For: FRUIT EXTRACT COMPOSITIONS FOR

TREATING DERMATOLOGICAL

DISORDERS

Group Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: L. Channavajja

Attorney Docket No.: 2267-017

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the Advisory Action dated January 14, 2002, Applicants are concurrently filing herewith a Request for Continuing Examination and this amendment. Prior to any further action in connection with the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the pending claims and allowance thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS

A marked-up version of the revised claim, showing insertions and deletions, is included in Appendix A. Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended thrice) A dermatological agent for managing a dermatological condition in a patient comprising:

at least one fruit extract from pomegranate in an amount sufficient to neutralize free radicals:

a hydrophobic moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to facilitate hydration of the patient's skin;